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TERRIFIC NEW BATTLE RAGING FOR AMIENS

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## SECOND PHASE OF THE GREAT OFFENSIVE



British wounded coming back through the French lines.—(Official photograph.)



French cavalry with British "Tommies" waiting for the Boche.—(Official photograph.)

### PEER'S SON TO WED.



Major the Hon. Donald Forbes,  
M.V.O., D.S.O., Royal  
Horse Artillery, son of the late  
Earl of Granard, and Miss Mary  
Doreen Lawson.



British troops and French cavalry patrol.—(Official.)



A huge British gun which helped to resist the German advance.—(Official.)



Miss Mary Doreen Lawson.

A marriage has been arranged between Major the Hon. Donald Forbes, M.V.O., D.S.O., Royal Horse Artillery, son of the late Earl of Granard, and Miss Mary Doreen Lawson.



A group of German prisoners, captured during the recent fighting.—(Official photograph.)



General Mackensen, who, it is reported, with his staff and troops, is coming from Rumania to the western front.

There has been a lull in the operations on the western front, but things have begun to move once more. North of the Somme there has been no change. South of the Somme the enemy launched heavy attacks early yesterday morning on the British and French forces, and on the British front he made progress in the direction of Hamel and Vaire Wood.



## VISCOUNT LASCELLES COURT-MARTIALED.

Found Not Guilty of Any of the Charges.

### ALHAMBRA INCIDENT.

Acting Major Viscount Henry George Lascelles was charged at a Westminster court-martial yesterday with assaulting Charles F. B. Penley, assistant manager at the Alhambra Theatre, in London on March 9, further with threatening to kick Penley, and also with impeding an assistant provost marshal who was arresting another officer.

He was also charged with threatening to put the assistant provost marshal, Captain R. Corbett, under arrest.

Accused was found not guilty on each charge and was released.

Mr. Penley, wearing a "Services rendered" badge, stated that on March 9 his attention was called to a party of officers in the theatre.

Witness asked defendant to try and keep his friends in order, but he took no notice. The officer who had been arrested was taken away in a taxicab, and, said witness, "all the officers turned on me for some reason, using horrible language and calling me a cad and a sleeklooking swine, and various other things of that description."

The accused officer said nothing then.

Some of the officers came out, and Lord Lascelles, who was presumably going up the corridor into the theatre, bumped into him.

Lieutenant Eastwood (prosecuting): Do you think it was an accident?

Mr. Hastings (for the defence): Do you know that Lord Lascelles thinks that it was you who bumped into him?—That might be suggested, but I did not.

Captain Ross Corbett, A.P.M. Canadian Forces, said that when he arrested an officer in the theatre Lord Lascelles took the officer by the arm and attempted to lead him away.

Major Pate, Worcestershire Regiment, in evidence which was read, said Lord Lascelles did not interfere with the A.P.M. or the arrested officer.

Lord Lascelles, who wore three wound stripes, went into the box, and said that: "Mr. Penley jostled me offensively as he went by. I said: 'You will be very lucky if I do not put my knee in you.'"

Colonel Sir Henry Streatfield, commanding the Grenadier Guards, said: "Lord Lascelles, throughout the war, has rendered most devoted and gallant service to his regiment and country."

**HUNS LAND IN FINLAND.**

Russian Warships Blown Up—Fleet's Critical Position.

The Germans officially announce the landing of troops on the Finnish mainland, while a Moscow Reuter telegram states that in Russia the Germans are moving on Kharkoff and Ekaterinograd (towns in the Ukraine, and, says the message, it is practically inevitable that the two towns will fall into the hands of the enemy).

Petrograd reports that thirty German transports arrived at Hango (South Finland), and Copenhagen says the Germans landed 40,000 men under General von Samsnitz, with 500 guns and 2,000 machine guns—Central News.

According to Reuter, another Petrograd message states that the commander-in-chief of Russian warships, including four submarines which were wintering at Hango, fearing capture, blew up their vessels.

The arrival of the German ships at Hango renders the situation of the Russian warships at Helsinki very critical, as, owing to the lack of an icebreaker, they cannot reach Cronstadt.

**GLOOMY WEDDING DAY.**

Tragic End of Bridegroom Who Talked of a Dire Spell.

A tragedy having curious features was inaugurated into by a Bristol coroner's jury yesterday.

Deceased, Mr. Charles Frederick Price, a hay and straw dealer in West Bristol, was recently married. On his wedding day he twice called at his solicitor's office in a very agitated state, declaring that the Almighty had cast a spell on him, and that he was a condemned man destined to spend the rest of his life in prison.

The day after his wedding he disappeared, and later his body was found in the Avon at Bristol. The jury returned a verdict of Found Drowned.

It was stated that Price had been much worried by D.O.R.A. regulations.

**NO MATINEES IN PARIS.**

PARIS, Thursday.—By order of the Prefect of Police matinees at all theatres, music halls and cinematograph halls in Paris are forbidden until further orders. They will be resumed as soon as circumstances permit.—Exchange.

## £600 IN FINES.

Director and His Wife Summoned for Food Hoarding.

1,148 POUNDS OF FLOUR.

The total amount of fines imposed at Newcastle yesterday on Mr. Rowland Hodge (managing director of a shipbuilding company) and his wife, of Colledge Hall, Gosforth, for offences under the Food Hoarding Order was £600. The costs were £100.

The articles enumerated in the summonses as having been acquired by them were:—

Flour, 1,148lb. Sugar, 333lb. Sardines, 25 tins. Split Peas, 191lb. Preserved Peas, 1 tin. Rice, 81lb. Lentils, 32lb. Malt's Potatoes, 8 tins. Soup, 5 tins. Lobster, 4 tins.

Or Tongue, 10 jars. Salmon, 19 tins. Golden Syrup, 21 tins. Marmalade, 85lb. Preserved Fruit, 61 tins. Pressed Beef, 2 jars. Canned Pigeon, 17 jars. Bacon and Ham, 148lb. Condensed Milk, 30 tins.

It was stated that there were sixteen persons in the household, and that Mr. Hodge replied to an inquiry from the Food Control Office that he was not responsible for housekeeping.

In response to the claim of each of four summonses, to which she pleaded guilty, with fifty guineas costs. Mr. Hodge was fined £100 in respect of the flour, without costs.

In respect of the jam, rice and sugar, Sir Marshall Hall (for Mr. Hodge) submitted that Mr. Hodge, a busy man, was not responsible for what Mrs. Hodge purchased, but the magistrates fined him £100 on each of the three cases, with £50 costs, payment being suspended pending appeal.

## DR. HORTON WEDS.

Lord and Lady Airedale's Daughter Marries Capt. J. McNaughton.

The marriage of Dr. R. F. Horton, the well-known minister of Lyndhurst-road Congregational Church, and Miss Violet Basden, a daughter of Mr. D. E. Basden, of the same church, took place yesterday, and attracted an immense congregation.

The bride was christened by Dr. Horton in the early years of his ministry at Hampstead.

The wedding of Captain John McNaughton, V.C., of the Canadian Highlanders, and the Hon. Doris Kitson, third daughter of Lord and Lady Airedale, took place at the Chapel Royal, Savoy.

**SOLD SACRAMENTAL WINE**

Hun Catholic Priest's Spiteful Act to Stop Religious Services.

Details of an incident which, it is hoped, is unique in the history of the Roman Catholic Church are given by Reuter.

It having been found necessary to deport from Lome, in Togoland, West Africa, the German members of the Roman Catholic Mission, Bishop Hummel, of the Gold Coast, went to Lome in order to arrange for the continuity of religious work and ministrations.

The Father Superior of the mission, however, took this opportunity hurriedly to sell the sacramental wine and flour intended for the Host in order that the incoming French priests might be prevented from discharging their religious

**MORE POTATOES WANTED.**

"If the peril of a food shortage is to be avoided, 400,000 more acres must be made to grow this all-important foodstuff." This is the opinion of the Food Production Department.

The Daily Mirror is offering prizes for potatoes grown by amateurs in any allotment, private or school garden, as follows:—

First prize, £500. Fourth prize, £25. Second prize, 100. Fifth prize, 10. Third prize, 50. 13 prizes of 5.

Get some seed, there is no shortage of that, and start planting to-day.

offices, thus showing a cynical indifference to the fact that their congregation would thereby be deprived of the sacraments of the Church.

Through the assistance of the officers commanding the British forces some of the office stores have since been recovered.

**LORD BEAVERBROOK HONOURED.**

There was a distinguished gathering of Canadians at the Savoy Hotel last night on the occasion of a dinner given by the Canadian Agents-General in London in honour of Lord Beaverbrook's appointment as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister of Information.

In proposing the health of Lord Beaverbrook, Lieutenant-Colonel Reid (Ontario) said the machinery of propaganda had been breaking sadly, but Lord Beaverbrook's talents for organization might have been created for this specific purpose of putting it right.

**COMING RAILWAY RESTRICTIONS.**

The Railway Executive Committee are still considering a reduction in passenger traffic.

The utmost care is being taken to avoid any more inconvenience than is absolutely necessary to those obliged to travel for business reasons.



Brig-Gen. George A. Stewart, Cape, M.C.M.G., who has been killed in the recent fighting.

## GREAT WAR MUSEUM.

Cabinet Decides to Erect Magnificent Building in London.

8,000 MEMENTOES ALREADY.

The Government has decided to erect a great National War Museum.

Sir Alfred Mond, First Commissioner of Works, who first proposed the establishment of the museum to the War Cabinet, said last night: "The scheme we have in view is of a magnificent character, and the museum will be one of the most remarkable buildings in Europe."

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The new building will be of huge dimensions, and within its walls will be a war collection the like of which the world has never seen. The collection being secured by the committees engaged.

**"HE'S ALL RIGHT."**

Engineer Has Chat with the King at London Works.

The King and Queen with Princess Mary visited a motor-lorry works in the Walthamstow district yesterday, and at every point of the tour had interesting talks with the men and women workers.

One of the shop stewards, with whom the King had a long talk, said: "We engineers are not the sort of people we are painted by some. We are prepared to a man to do our bit for the country."

One of the steward's shopmates asked immediately afterwards what he now thought of the King, and he replied: "I found him a very much finer chap than I imagined. He's all right!"

Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria spent yesterday afternoon at the aeroplane works of Messrs. F. W. Berwick and Company, Limited, in the West London area and were presented with bouquets. One lassie made bold to ask the Queen for a flower as a keepsake, and both her Majesty and the Princess selected blooms and handed them to the girls.

**COLOGNE BADLY DAMAGED.**

Dutch Report of Allied Air Raids—Big Casualty Lists.

AMSTERDAM, Wednesday.—Les Nouvelles, of Maastricht, referring to Allied air raids into Germany, says:—

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**"PENGUINS" RECRUITING BEGUN.**

The Women's Royal Air Force General Inquiry Office opened yesterday at No. 12, Wellington-street, Strand.

Women wishing to enrol as immobles (living-at-home branch) should apply to the inquiry office or the Employment Exchange nearest their homes, where full particulars of rates of pay, conditions of service, etc., may be obtained.

**BOYS FOR AIR SERVICE.**

The Royal Air Force is open to receive boys between the ages of fifteen and seventeen years to serve eight years with the colours, including period serving prior to attaining the age of eighteen years and four years on the reserve.

The rate of pay is 18s. a day, with free kit, food, etc. On attaining the age of eighteen boys will be appointed third-class air mechanics at 2s. a day.

## MEAT CARDS FOR ALL IN GREAT BRITAIN.

Extended Scheme Comes Into Force on Sunday.

### MORE BACON FOR BOYS.

On and after Sunday no meat will be purchasable in any part of Great Britain without a meat card.

The order applies to eating houses as well as butchers' shops, and covers meat in every form, including:—

Bacon. Ham. Offal (edible). Beef. Mutton. Poultry. Bones. Pork. Sweet. Game. Venison.

as well as cooked, canned, preserved and miscellaneous meat of all sorts.

The rationing scheme is already in operation in London, the Home Counties, the east of Scotland, and certain other districts.

By extending the scheme to the rest of Great Britain it is hoped to secure a fair distribution of meat according to needs.

**HINTS TO BUTCHERS.**

Every effort is being made to procure sufficient supplies to satisfy the requirements of each district, but no guarantee will be given, since it is inevitable that at the outset there should be some delays and difficulties of distribution.

The public are urged to assist the working of the scheme by:

Spreading their purchases evenly over the week. Learning about the scheme in advance—thus saving time in shops.

Accepting receipts less than the full ration of meat where enough is not available for all.

Butchers must divide their supplies fairly among registered customers. They must not sell the full ration first-come unless they have a reasonable prospect of giving full rations to all.

**COMING CHANGES IN SCHEME.**

The following changes in the scheme will be made soon:—

1. Supplementary rations for bodily work will begin on April 14. Supplementary ration cards are now being issued.

2. After April 14 the card of any child who was over six on March 1, 1918, may be exchanged for an ordinary full ration card.

3. After May 5 supplementary rations will be allowed to boys who on March 1, 1918, were over thirteen and under eighteen. The supplementary ration will be 10oz. of bacon with bone or its equivalent in other meat (excluding butcher's meat).

4. After May 5 bacon (including ham) will be purchasable only from a retailer with whom the purchaser's card (whether ordinary or supplementary) has been registered for bacon.

5. After May 5 two coupons only of each meat card will be available for butcher's meat (including pork). Any or all coupons will, as before, be available for bacon or other meat.

Increased supplies of bacon will be provided to meet the third coupon, which will no longer be available for butcher's meat.

Arrangements are being made to utilise additional bacon supplies now being received from America, and to diminish the call upon home-grown cattle.

## HOW MAGICIAN WAS SHOT.

Gun Expert's Story at Inquest on Chung Ling Soo.

The tragic shooting accident on the stage at Wood Green Empire, which resulted in the death of William Elsworth Robinson, fifty-six, the "Chinese" magician, known as Chung Ling Soo, was further inquired into yesterday.

The coroner said that as the guns used had been examined by an expert the jury would be satisfied that there was no possibility of foul play and that the affair was a pure accident.

Robert Churchill, Agar-street, Strand, gun expert, said that one of the screws used to seal the plug in the gun with the empty barrel had worn loose and this was no doubt the cause of the bullet being projected on this occasion.

The jury in returning a verdict of Death by Misadventure.

**NEWS ITEMS.**

**The Torpedoed Conango.**—It is now said that only ten men are missing from the torpedoed steamer Conango.

**Mesopotamia.**—Up to April 2 the number of prisoners taken on the Euphrates was 5,214. Turks, including 208 officers and eighteen Germans.—British official.

**£529,000,000 Army Bill.**—The gross expenditure on the Army in 1916-17 was £629,863,455, the loss of £126,766, says an official return issued last night.

**Sinn Féin Defeated.**—Mr. T. J. S. Harbison (National) was returned for East Tyrone yesterday, polling 1,802 votes against 1,222 recorded by Mr. John McIlroy (Sinn Féin).

**Too Many Meals.**—Three big meals a day cost too many Women's Auxiliary forces. At tea-time they indulge in Bath buns and butterscotch and other horrors," said Dr. Leonard Williams yesterday.

**Washington Outrage.**—WASHINGTON, Thursday.—James King, night watchman at the office of the Committee of Public Information, was shot dead in the main entrance this morning. His assailant escaped.—Central News.



# HUNS ATTACK AGAIN—PROGRESS TOWARDS HAMMEL

**M. Clemenceau: "Battle Will Still Be Hard, but We Shall Win."**

**"MACKENSEN ON WAY TO THE WEST."**

**M. Hutin Thinks New Hun Attack May Be Directed Towards Arras or Further North.**

## BRITISH OFFICIAL.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE, Thursday.

10.25 A.M.—During the night a German machine-gun post in the neighbourhood of Hebuterne was rushed by our troops and a machine gun captured.

A few prisoners have been brought in on other parts of the battle front. Beyond some hostile artillery activity at different points of the battle front, and also in the Menin road and Passchendaele sectors, there is nothing further to report.

## LATE WAR NEWS.

### GERMANS LAUNCH BLOWS SOUTH OF SOMME.

Foe Makes Some Progress in the Direction of Hamel.

#### WAR OFFICE STATEMENT.

1. North of the Somme there has been no change.

2. South of the Somme the enemy launched heavy attacks early this morning on the British and French forces, and on the British front he made progress in the direction of Hamel and Vaire Wood.

On the remainder of the British front all his attacks were beaten back with considerable loss. Fighting still continues.

3. On the French front, immediately on our right, the enemy gained ground in the angle between the Rivers Luce and Avre.

### BERLIN STORY OF FOUR ALLIED ATTACKS.

Foe Asserts Attempts to Take Heights Near Moreuil Failed.

#### GERMAN OFFICIAL.

On the battle front the fighting activity revived south of the Somme.

By means of a surprise attack, and after strong artillery preparation, the enemy during the early morning and afternoon four times vainly endeavoured to recapture the heights wrested from him south-west of Moreuil.

The attack broke down with heavy losses. Before Verlun and at the Parroy Wood there was at times a more lively firing engagement.

### ITALIAN PATROLS ACTIVE.

#### ITALIAN OFFICIAL.

Thursday.—Our patrols have been fairly active along the whole front. At Malaga Giunella (Ponale) and on Mount Spinocia we drove back hostile parties. To the south of Sap Duna there was frequent trench mortar fire. The advance posts exchanged violent rifle fire across the Piave Vecchia.

Our airmen during the night bombarded the railways in the Val Lagarina.

### ERZERUM RETAKEN.

Moscow, Wednesday (received yesterday).—The Armenian Corps, together with Armenian voluntary detachments, has recaptured Erzerum and district.

Ukrainian and German detachments moving on Ekaterinoslav have reached Verkhny and Dnieprova and continue to advance on both banks of the River Dniester.—Exchange.

### SWISS FRONTIER.

Zurich, Wednesday Night.—The German Swiss frontier will be closed on Friday.—Central News.

### FRENCH ENTER FOE LINES AT SEVERAL POINTS.

Prisoners and Machine Guns Taken—Montdidier Gunfire Lively.

#### FRENCH OFFICIAL.

Thursday.—During the night the artillery struggle assumed a character of considerable intensity in the region north of Montdidier. North-west of Rheims, in Champagne and on the left bank of the Meuse our troops penetrated at several points into the enemy's trenches.

These raids enabled us to bring back about thirty prisoners and two machine guns.

Enemy raids east of Rheims, at the Bois d'Avocourt and north of St. Die remained unsuccessful.

There is nothing to report on the remainder of the front.—Reuter.

**"BATTLE WILL BE HARD, BUT WE SHALL WIN."**

M. Clemenceau's Impressions on Watching the Fight for Amiens.

PARIS, Thursday.—The French Premier, accompanied by the Military Chief of the Cabinet, General Morlaix, again went into the firing-line yesterday, returning "perfectly satisfied."

A picture of M. Clemenceau watching the battle of Amiens is given in to-day's *Matin* by that paper's special correspondent with the British Armies.

Within view of Amiens, and a few miles from the battle front, on one of the great roads of France, was standing a motor-car bearing the gold-fringed flag of the High Command. A little further on, in the middle of the road, all his attention fixed on the growling noise rising from the mysterious blue of the valley, the Premier was calmly viewing the battle.

Ordered convoys and regiments went past to the tumult, and the "Tommys" as they passed saluted "The Merry Old Man," as they call the Chief of France, whose face is becoming familiar to them.

"Are you satisfied?" the correspondent asked, and M. Clemenceau replied: "Yes, very well satisfied."—Exchange.

M. Marcel Hutin, in the *Echo de Paris*, says: "I asked M. Clemenceau this question: 'Can you give me your impressions on our military situation?'"

"Excellent impressions," replied the Premier; "they could not be better."

"You authorise me to repeat that?"

"Yes, I authorise you. The battle is not finished; it will still be hard, but we shall win."—Exchange.

### HUN CHIEFS CONFER.

AMSTERDAM, Thursday.—Important conferences have taken place to-day at Imperial Headquarters between the Kaiser, Hindenburg, Ludendorff and von Kuhlmann.

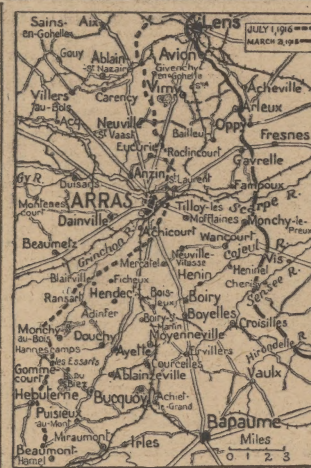
Eastern questions, especially the Rumanian, were exhaustively discussed, and also Czernin's latest speech.

It is believed that von Kuhlmann will take the earliest opportunity of delivering an important political speech.

Count Czernin is expected in Berlin and at headquarters early next week.—Exchange.

### JAPANESE INTERVENTION.

As the result of inquiries in Japanese circles, states the Exchange, the intervention of Japan in Siberia is under consideration.



We rushed a German machine gun post in the neighbourhood of Hebuterne.

### 40,000 GERMAN TROOPS LAND IN FINLAND.

300 Guns and 2,000 Machine Guns with Them.

PETROGRAD (received yesterday).—It is reported that thirty German transports with troops have arrived at Hangö.

The Commissary for Finnish Affairs at Petrograd announces that the Belgian Minister, M. Destres, in attempting to pass to the lines of the Red Guards from those of the White Guards, has been wounded by the latter.—Reuter.

COPENHAGEN, Wednesday (received yesterday).—The Chief German Naval Staff reports: "Our warships have this morning, after a very troublesome voyage through minefields, landed at Hangö, Southern Finland, the troops bound for the assistance of Finland. Near Abo, where also German troops landed from Aaland, violent fighting is still taking place."

"The Germans are advancing very slowly from one little island to another. The resistance of the Red Guard is very stubborn."—Exchange. COPENHAGEN (received yesterday).—The Germans have now landed 40,000 men under General von Sannitz, with 300 guns and 2,000 machine guns, at Hangö, in South Finland.

On the Karelian front large Russian reinforcements arrive daily. Violent fighting is going on.—Central News.

### "MANY COLOGNE BUILDINGS COMPLETELY DEMOLISHED."

Dutch Report of Allied Air Raids—Big Casualty Lists.

AMSTERDAM, Wednesday.—Les Nouvelles, of Maastricht, says: "We learn from a reliable source the following particulars regarding the results of the recent raids of Allied airmen into Germany."

"On the occasion of the last raid on Coblenz twenty-six men were killed and hundreds wounded. Tremendous damage was caused at the station, where the bombs completely demolished the underground subways."

"The last raid but one on Treves also had terrible consequences. There were sixty killed and hundreds wounded. The station was very much damaged, and numerous streets in the neighbourhood are nothing more than a heap of ruins."

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"A troop train in the station had its carriages smashed to atoms, and many of the occupants were killed or wounded."

"The Kaiser visited the spot the following day. The feeling of terror prevailing in Germany is indescribable."—Reuter.

### GERMAN NERVOUSNESS.

It is generally regarded here as most significant of the nervousness now prevailing throughout Germany, states a Reuter telegram, that practically all the German war correspondents and military critics should consider it so imperative to take the utmost pains to explain that the interruption of the German offensive is solely due to normal and anticipated causes.

Furthermore, they never cease to insist upon the lightness of the German losses as compared with the heaviness of those of the Allied forces.

### HUNS TO STRIKE FURTHER NORTH?

M. Hutin on Expectation of Heavy Fighting.

### AMIENS AN AIM.

PARIS, Thursday.—M. Marcel Hutin, writing in the *Echo de Paris*, says:—

"I believe the great idea of the Germans, in view of the impossible task of reaching Paris in any other way than by means of fantastic and intermittent shelling, or Amiens, unless they sacrifice hundreds of thousands additional soldiers, will consist of an attack on another front."

"The enemy has been able slightly to indent the Allied line, but it will be impossible for him to extricate himself from his present difficult position."

"He is always compelled to attack in the same direction, and, as at the Marne, his artillery is left too long in the rear. He is now forced to attack again."

"In my opinion, this will be directed towards Arras, or further north, when the atmospheric conditions will permit."

"We must expect more heavy fighting. The enemy will make very great efforts to obtain a decision. He will put imposing forces into movement."—Exchange.

#### HAS FRESH TROOPS.

M. Henry Bidou, the military expert, remarks: "I hear the line on a front of seventy miles about seventy-five divisions. He has also fresh troops which have not yet been thrown in, and possibly divisions which might yet be brought from Russia."

"There are other divisions which have already been used, and which, though not absolutely fresh, have now been rested."

"All these men form an available mass at least equal to the number of divisions hitherto employed."

"The double encircling movement of the Germans aims at cutting off the railway connections of Amiens north and south, and then isolating the city in a semi-circle of artillery fire to force its evacuation or capture," is the conclusion arrived at by Mr. Henry Wood, the United Press correspondent.

He says that whilst the Allied armies are temporarily checking both these encircling movements the aeroplanes are daily ascertaining the constant arrival both of new divisions and of heavy artillery.

The German artillery concentration is especially heavy in the region of Montdidier. Everywhere immense concentrations are being made both by the Allies and the Germans for the final shock before Amiens.

#### WHAT THE HUNS SAY.

AMSTERDAM, Wednesday.—The *Frankfurter Zeitung*, discussing the strategic position on the western front, writes:—

"By the employment of their strategic reserves our opponents have hitherto been able to maintain the Anglo-French front as a strategic unit."

"The whole front of the enemy between the sea and Switzerland has undoubtedly suffered serious damage; nevertheless, thanks to the intervention of the French army of the under General Foch, contact between the British and French Armies has been maintained."

"Whether it will be possible, however, to maintain this intact after the loss of Amiens is to be doubted. The existence of Amiens is therefore a vital strategic question for our opponents."—Reuter.

### MACKENSEN AND PRINCE LEOPOLD COMING WEST.

Story of Separate Army Groups to Oppose French and British.

THE HAGUE, Thursday.—It is learned here from a usually reliable source that important changes are about to be made in the German Higher Command on the western front.

It is believed to be the intention to divide the various armies now engaged in the battle into two main groups—one against the British Armies and the other against the French—and it is understood that Prince Leopold of Bavaria will probably be appointed to command the southern portion of the front.—Central News.

AMSTERDAM (received yesterday).—Reports from the frontier state that the German soldiers in Belgium are being told that General Mackensen will shortly arrive with an army to bring about a decision on the western front.

These reports are carefully communicated to the wounded soldiers en route for Germany for the purpose of conveying to the people the idea that the German victory is assured. There is, however, great gloom in Germany owing to the immense number of wounded who are arriving, despite the fact that as many as possible are being kept in Belgian hospitals, and also owing to the halt in the offensive operations.—Central News.



## RAILWAY SMASH AT BAGDAD.

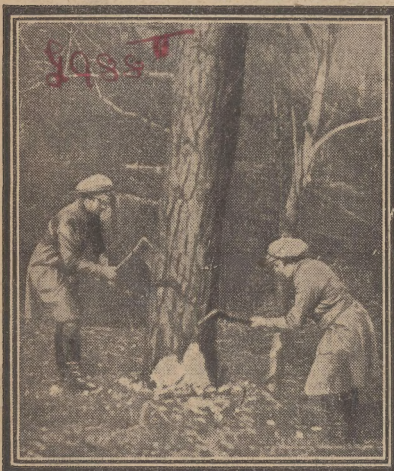


The above photograph depicts a bad railway smash at Bagdad. Some of the cars, it will be observed, have been shivered to fragments.

## THE WORK OF OUR WOMEN FORESTERS.



Saving the trench props.



A group of busy tree-fellers.

At Newton Abbot, a pleasant country town in Devonshire, women foresters are now being employed in the cutting down of trees.

## FOUR PEOPLE—



Mrs. William Long, wife of Major W. H. B. Long, of the Irish Guards, is an ardent and indefatigable war worker.



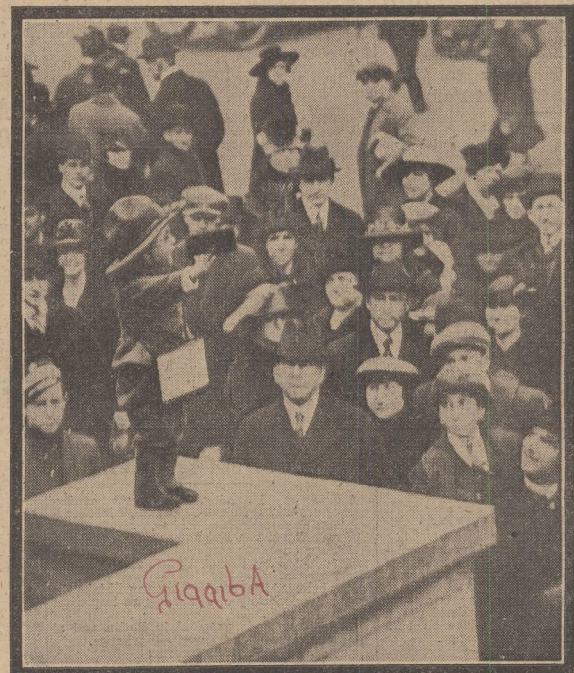
Major-Gen. Edward Felt-ham, C.B., C.M.G., who has been killed in action in the great offensive at the front.

## FIRST R.A.F. WEDDING.



Chief Master Mechanic D. Martin, R.A.F., and Miss Dorothy Latter were married at Shrewton, Wilts. The bridegroom holds the M.M.

## NEW YORK'S SMALLEST SALESMAN.



Little Richard Bruns is endeavouring to get the people passing the public library in New York to buy war savings stamps. He is two years and a half old, and an experienced salesman already.

## THE GERMAN "P"



The final meeting of



R.F.C. Lieut. Theo. Marburg, Jr., in charge of R.F.C. New York, is the son of Theodore Marburg, former Minister to Belgium.



GAZETTED.—Lady Cranworth, whose husband, it was recently announced, has been gazetted as a staff captain.



PROMOTED.—The Earl of Altamont, who, it is announced, has been promoted to the rank of a lieutenant in the Scots Greys.

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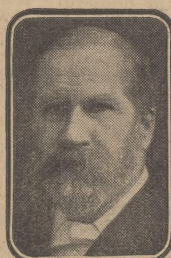
KILLED AT SEA—Commander J. Sharpe, R.N., son of Edward Schafer, F.R.S., professor of Physiology at Edinburgh, has been killed at sea.



# WITH UKRAINE

# —IN THE NEWS.

# SEA SCOUTS AND POTATO PRIZE



**TO WED.**—Canon Rawnsley, who is to marry Miss Simpson, of Grasmere. He is a well-known poet and essayist.



Lady Rosemary Leveson-Gower, who will be one of the bridesmaids at the wedding of Miss Alexandra James.

## DECORATED IN AMERICA.



A brigadier-general of the R.A. decorating Sergeant A. W. James with the D.C.M. on the land battleship Recruit, in Union-square, New York.



**KILLED.**—Brigadier Major S. J. Paget, elder son of the Bishop of Stepney, who was killed in the recent fighting at the front last Sunday.

## REFUGEES FROM THE FRONT IN PARIS.



Groups of country people have been met by the reinforcing French columns, and many have arrived at the Gare du Nord in Paris. The photograph shows an arrival scene.



Sea scouts have taken the place of coastguards on the Cornish coast. Here they will be seen turning up the gardens of the absent coastguards in order to plant potatoes. They may win *The Daily Mirror* prize.

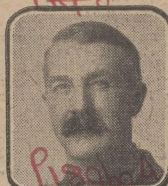
## PRINCESS ALICE AT BRADFIELD.



Watching the boys coming up the sluice in the open steeplechase.



**W.A.A.C.**—Miss Chubb, who is doing excellent and useful work as the Deputy Director of Recruiting of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.



**RELEASED.**—Brigadier-General V. A. S. Williams, Canadian Forces, who has been released from internment in Switzerland.



Presenting the prizes.—*Daily Mirror* photograph.)

Princess Alice distributed the prizes at the Bradfield sports. The Princess was herself presented with a pair of iron candlesticks made by the local blacksmith.



# Daily Mirror

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1918.

## A FATUOUS SUGGESTION.

DURING these three and half years of war, we Londoners have had few moments to rest in; to recover; to "draw back for a better jump" on whatever work we may have had to do. And if we have had little time for rest, we have had fewer places to rest in.

The clergy have come to the rescue, here and there, with quiet churches thrown open. The Y.M.C.A. have provided nobly for khaki and blue. As for civilians, they have had their homes, and, in common—sole consolation—the still remaining spaces of the parks.

But even the parks have not escaped war weariness—or "unweariness in war working"—as we know.

Hutments invade several of them—rightly: for Government offices must expand. And thus St. James' Park, for example, largely ruined in a vast monumental transformation and Germanisation before the war, has, since the war, been turned into something much more like a Garden City than a Garden. Kensington Gardens can still refresh us a little this spring, however. And there is something left of Hyde Park even now.

We said this, in satisfaction, yesterday: and then came upon the hint, or announcement, of a project so absurd, so ridiculous, that we scarcely dare to add to the daily war affliction of our readers by recounting it to them in a lull of the fighting.

The ruin of all greenery and freshness in St. James' Park is, we say, largely accomplished. Now it is suggested we are to have Hyde Park ruined too! In other words it is proposed that a National War Museum should be planted by the banks of the Serpentine!

Imagine it!

Consider what sort of a building it always is when we get a National Anything! Go and look at the Natural History Museum in South Kensington, at the Victoria and Albert, at other museums. Then conceive of the rusticity, health, open space, quietness and horizon of Hyde Park, shut off and spoilt by one of these monstrous boastful edifices, designed (as always) not by the architect of genius—say, a Philip Webb—but by an official architect, given to statuary of marble-frock-coat gentlemen with stone boots bulging from narrow niches! That would be reality. We all know it, disabused as we are by experience. But even if the proposed Museum were a model of architectural fitness, still it would be an outrage to put it up in the park, which exists for quite other purposes—for green freshness, for a simulation of Nature and solitude in the heart of the town.

The thing is incredible!

We earnestly hope it is only another fatuous rumour. But if there be any truth in it, once more the patriotism of Londoners, and the influence of powerful voices, must unite to stop this final attempt to sweep away what little remains of London's open space. If such a project were realised, future generations of Londoners would have cause to curse this generation in its stupidity. The late Lord Carlisle intervened to save what is left of St. James' Park. Is there no member of the supposed educated classes who will intervene in time to stop this much worse outrage upon the Londoner's property?

W. M.

## THE CALL TO ARMS.

Now, friends, for France! the enterprise whereof shall be to you, as us, like glorious.  
We don't not of a fair and lucky war,  
Since God so graciously hath brought to light  
This dangerous treason lurking in our way  
To hinder our beginning. We doubt not now  
But every rub is smoothed on our way.  
Then forth, dear countrymen! let us deliver  
Our pinnace into the hand of God,  
Putting it straight in expedition.

—SHAKESPEARE.

## A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Those only deserve a monument who do not need one.—Haezliitt.

# TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

## BUDGET POSTPONED.

A Day of Notable Weddings—The Disappearance of the Star in the Car.

IT IS SETTLED that Mr. Bonar Law will have to postpone the introduction of the Budget, so people who are personally interested in new taxation will have to have patience. The supply of men will be the first subject to be considered when legislators come back from their holidays; so the supply of money will stand over.

**Decorated.**—The King of Rumania, though his little country is temporarily Boche-ridden, is showing the proper spirit by bestowing orders on distinguished British officers. Sir John Norton Griffiths gets the Order of the Star of Rumania, for it was he who made the Rumanian oil-wells useless to the invader.

**Egyptian Decorations.**—Lord Anglesey and the Marquis of Carisbrooke, I notice, are

**A Trio.**—War brides have an anxious time now. The wedding of Lord Alreale's daughter was announced as postponed on Wednesday, yet it took place yesterday morning at the Savoy Chapel. Only, instead of four little rose-clad maids to attend her, she had only three, including her youngest sister.

**The Absent Rose-Maid.**—Little Miss Wolfe-Barry was the "casualty," which was owing to the postponement. But she received the bridegroom's—Captain McNaughton's—badge all right.

**Minister's Marriage.**—In Lyndhurst-road, Hampstead, yesterday there was a huge crowd, extending into Rosslyn-hill, when the Rev. R. F. Horton was married to Miss Violet Basden at his own church. Mr. Joseph King, M.P., was best man, and Dr. Arnold Thomas officiated.

**In Covent Garden.**—The late Rev. E. H. Mosse will be succeeded as rector of St. Paul's, Covent Garden, by Canon J. G. Ad-

**A Beautiful Bride.**—Fashionable weddings nowadays attract large crowds to church doors. An unusually large throng gathered to see the wedding at St. John's, Westminster, of the daughter of Mr. John T. Thornycroft, Sir John Thornycroft's eldest son. She was one of the prettiest brides of the season.

**Mentioned.**—Here is a new picture of the Duchess of Buccleuch, who does considerable unobtrusive war work, especially in connection with her hospital. No doubt, like the gentleman in the poem, she "blushed to find it fame" when she was recently mentioned in dispatches.



The Duchess of Buccleuch.

**Commandeered.**—Not long ago the Duke's historic town house, Montagu House, in Whitehall, was taken over as a Government office, which caused a good deal of comment at the time, and gave several learned antiquarians a theme for informing articles. However, he has still six other residences in which to lay his strawberry-laden head.

**The Curfew Meal.**—Lunch is the favourite social meal in these curfew-ed days. The Portuguese Ambassador was at the Carlton yesterday, with a friend, Miss Marie Novello, the pianist, with Mrs. Ernest Hawkins, and the Hon. Cecil Ashley had a party.

**Brave Waacs.**—Everybody was talking yesterday of the Army Council's tribute to "extraordinary bravery" of the W.A.A.C. "Stick to it like Waacs" ought to be an inspiring slogan now.

**War and Peace.**—I saw some officers in the new R.A.F. uniform at Mr. Alfred Rich's collection of rural water-colours in Bond-street. Nothing could contrast more with the calm of his beautiful pictures than those sent over from Flanders by a young French soldier, "Bastu du Bleu," in the next room.

**The Receipts.**—My domestic food controller tells me that "Bring your own jam-jars" is the latest demand of grocers. How long will it be, I wonder, before we are asked to bring our own match-boxes?

**A Timely Loan.**—I met Miss Regine Flory in a carriage-and-pair yesterday evening. She explained that since she was fined £5 at Bow-street for using her motor-car, a lady who was a regular Gaiety patron had lent her the turn-out.

**Back to the Brougham.**—Many stage folk, indeed, have gone back to the Brougham of pre-motor days. Miss Gertie Millar is one. The high-stepping horse is certainly more ornamental than the car, however useful the latter may be.

**A New "Hamlet."**—Mr. John Lawson is breaking out in a fresh place. He aims to produce a tabloid "Hamlet" in London ere long, with himself as the depressed Dane.

**Lawson-Shakespeare.**—For the purposes of this production a new prologue has been contrived, showing the murder of Hamlet's father in the garden, which is only talked about in Shakespeare's version.

**Boxer Wounded.**—Old Cliftonians will regret to learn that their heavy-weight representative in the Public Schools boxing competition of 1910, Captain H. A. H. Churchill, R.G.A., has been rather seriously wounded.

**Reappearance.**—I note that Miss Barbara Hoffe has joined the cast of "Dear Brutus" during the week. Recently I have seen her more "in front" at first nights and so on than on the working side of the footlights. She has not appeared in London since "A Kiss or Two" at the Pavilion. Her husband is Mr. Monckton Hoffe, who writes amusing plays, and this is what she looks like.



Miss Barbara Hoffe.

**A Poster.**—Talking a bit out of "Dear Brutus," have you noticed the extremely artistic poster which Mr. Claude Shepperson has designed for the piece? I am glad to see our best artists are again taking up the art of the bill, which has been rather neglected since the great boom of the late 'nineties.

THE RAMBLER.

## A FEW HINTS ON LIGHT-SAVING IN CURFEW TIME.



Amongst other things, try to make use of the moonlight which we have grown to dislike in London!—(By W. K. Haseelden.)

among the officers who have been given the Order of the Nile by the Sultan of Egypt. The Marquis is a popular Grenadier.

**Poet-Cleric to Wed.**—I see that Canon Rawnsley, the poet of the Lake District, is to marry. He is sixty-seven. Grasmere, where he lives, is highly interested, for Miss Simpson, the bride-to-be, is a local lady.

**Engaged.**—Another interesting engagement is that of the Hon. Donald Forbes, Lord Granard's brother. He is in the Royal Artillery, with which he served in South Africa as well as in the present conflict. He is more successful as a soldier than a politician, for he was defeated when he contested a London constituency in 1910.

**The Bride-To-Be.**—Major Forbes will marry Miss Doreen Lawson (daughter of the late Mr. Andrew Lawson), who devotes a lot of time to sending out comforts to prisoners of war. Her mother is a sister of Viscount Mountgarret.

derley, Lord Norton's brother. "Father Adorley" as he is called, has long been known for his noble and self-sacrificing work among the poor.

**A Big Diamond.**—One of the gifts which Christie's will sell to aid the Red Cross is a famous yellow diamond of 205 carats. Gifts are pouring in. The King and Queen have given some valuable pictures.

**An Attraction.**—At the private view the diamond attracted a crowd. Sir Guy Laking and Sir Ernest Cassel were bending over it, with Miss Elizabeth Asquith and Lady Harcourt on tiptoe to obtain a better view.

**What a Faust!**—One hears that the special constables are going to have a matinee all on their own at Drury Lane Theatre. What is the wonderful part is a promised production of "Faust," with Mr. George Robey as Faust, Little Tich as Mephistopheles, Miss Violet Loraine as Margaret and Sir Thomas Beecham as conductor.



By JOHN  
CARDINAL

Ladies only.—Florence Wood, 475, Oxford-st., W.



# GERMANY'S TERRIFIC LOSSES: SEE REMARKABLE PHOTOGRAPH APPEARING ON PAGE ONE

## Daily Mirror

### TWO WEDDINGS.



Lieutenant-Colonel R. N. S. Gordon, Sherwood Foresters, and Miss Dorothy Crosswell Gray, daughter of Sir William Gray, were married at St. George's, Hanover-square.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)



Captain J. McNaughton and the Hon. Doris C. Kitson were married at the Chapel Royal, Savoy, yesterday. Leaving the church.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)

### WON M.M. THREE TIMES.



Corporal George Neale Keech, R.E. (with his wife), has been awarded a second bar to the M.M.—(Exclusive to The Daily Mirror.)

### LAST WISH.



Lieut. Cotterill Jones, R.F.C., turned to death, desired that if any music were played at his funeral it should be the "March of the Men of Harlech."

### THE MARCH OF THE MERRY W.A.A.C.s.



The largest detachment of the Women's Auxiliary Force left London yesterday for France. Our photograph shows the women marching from their headquarters to the station. Some of the women, it will be seen, are carrying their packs.

### SINN FEIN FORCES ROUTED IN EAST TYRONE CONTEST.



A Sinn Fein officer with recruits.



Four of the oldest voters in the constituency hold a palaver on the election.

The Sinn Feiners have sustained another severe reverse in East Tyrone, where the Nationalist candidate, Mr. J. Harbison, has been returned by a majority of 581.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)

### COUNTESS NURSE.



The Countess of Onslow has given her house, Clandon Park, Guildford, as a hospital for wounded soldiers.

### "BILLY" FOR THE BATTLE.



"Billy" Sunday (centre), the famous American evangelist, who is on his way to France, where he will spend several months with the troops.

WAR WORKER.—Miss Cora Moore, eldest daughter of General Sir Newton Moore, though still in her teens, works at Aldwych Y.M.C.A. every day.